

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, John Sutterfield's life has always revolved around wildlife of one sort or another, beginning life in a home in Texas built on pilings to keep flood waters out; and,

WHEREAS, John served his country honorably in time of war in the United States Navy, taking part in the invasion of Saipan, Iwo Jima and Okinawa; and,

WHEREAS, John then purchased "The Evangeline", a shrimp boat he operated out of Freeport, Texas, a purchase which resulted in tales of a 22-foot shark and a 2,500 pound turtle; and,

WHEREAS, John then worked as a maintenance supervisor for 25 years in Texas, vacationing in the Black Hills of South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, Finally unable to bear being away from the Black Hills, John moved his family to Custer, where he began a gun shop before becoming an employee of his beloved Custer State Park in 1971; and,

WHEREAS, Since joining the Park Service, John has been promoted six times, arriving at his current position as Supervisor of the Building Maintenance Section, where he is responsible for over 294 buildings and utilities in Custer State Park; and,

WHEREAS, John's colleagues will gather to honor him on the occasion of his retirement to thank him for his dedication to excellence in all his endeavors:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 29, 1984, as

JOHN SUTTERFIELD DAY

in South Dakota, and I join John's sons, Howard, David and Frank, his wife, Elveretta, and the people of this State and Nation in wishing him a happy, enjoyable retirement. We all owe a debt of gratitude to Grandma Hattie for defying the doctor who pronounced him dead at birth and for taking matters and John into her own hands, rekindling his spark of life.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-Eighth Day of November, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Four

William J. Janklow
WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alice Kundert
ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

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